

SENATE BILL No. 509

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-20-20; IC 22-4-18-1; IC 22-4.1.

Synopsis: Commission on career and technical education. Abolishes the commission for career and technical education (commission) and transfers the duties of the commission to the department of workforce development. Makes conforming amendments. Repeals provisions that establish and provide for the operation of the commission.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-20-20-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007,
2 SECTION 95, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 3. (a) The state board shall do the following:

4 (1) Establish and monitor the operation of secondary level career
5 and technical education in Indiana in accordance with the
6 comprehensive long range state plan developed by the
7 ~~commission~~ **department of workforce development** under
8 IC 22-4.1-13-9.

9 (2) Establish a list of approved secondary level career and
10 technical education courses in accordance with the workforce
11 partnership plans under IC 22-4.1-14.

12 (b) The state board may authorize the department, whenever
13 practical or necessary, to assist in carrying out the duties prescribed by
14 this chapter.

15 (c) The state board shall do the following:

16 (1) Implement, to the best of its ability, its career and technical
17 education plan prepared under section 4 of this chapter.



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(2) Investigate the funding of career and technical education on a cost basis.

(3) Cooperate with the ~~commission~~ **department of workforce development** in implementing the long range plan prepared by ~~the commission~~ under IC 22-4.1-13-9.

SECTION 2. IC 20-20-20-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 96, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 4. The state board shall biennially prepare a plan for implementing career and technical education and shall submit the plan to the ~~commission~~ **department of workforce development** for its review and recommendations.

SECTION 3. IC 20-20-20-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 97, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 5. The state board shall make recommendations to the ~~commission~~ **department of workforce development** on all secondary level career and technical education.

SECTION 4. IC 20-20-20-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 98, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 6. Upon request of the budget director, the department shall prepare a legislative budget request for state and federal funds for career and technical education. The budget director shall determine the period to be covered by the budget request. This budget request shall be made available to the ~~commission~~ **department of workforce development** under IC 22-4.1-13-15 before review by the budget committee.

SECTION 5. IC 20-20-20-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 100, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 8. The state board shall develop a definition for and report biennially to the:

(1) general assembly;

(2) governor; and

(3) ~~commission~~; **department of workforce development**;

on attrition and persistence rates by students enrolled in secondary career and technical education. A biennial report under this section to the general assembly must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

SECTION 6. IC 20-20-20-9, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 9. The state board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 and shall contract for services whenever necessary to perform the duties imposed by this chapter in accordance with the plan developed under section 4 of this chapter and approved by the ~~commission~~; **department of workforce development**.

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SECTION 7. IC 22-4-18-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 141, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 1. (a) There is created a department under IC 22-4.1-2-1 which shall be known as the department of workforce development.

(b) The department of workforce development may:

(1) Administer the unemployment insurance program, the Wagner-Peyser program, the Workforce Investment Act, a free public labor exchange, and related federal and state employment and training programs as directed by the governor.

(2) Formulate and implement an employment and training plan as required by the Workforce Investment Act (29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.), including reauthorizations of the Act, and the Wagner-Peyser Act (29 U.S.C. 49 et seq.).

(3) Coordinate activities with all state agencies and departments that either provide employment and training related services or operate appropriate resources or facilities, to maximize Indiana's efforts to provide employment opportunities for economically disadvantaged individuals, dislocated workers, and others with substantial barriers to employment.

(4) Apply for, receive, disburse, allocate, and account for all funds, grants, gifts, and contributions of money, property, labor, and other things of value from public and private sources, including grants from agencies and instrumentalities of the state and the federal government.

(5) Enter into agreements with the United States government that may be required as a condition of obtaining federal funds related to activities of the department.

(6) Enter into contracts or agreements and cooperate with local governmental units or corporations, including profit or nonprofit corporations, or combinations of units and corporations to carry out the duties of the department imposed by this chapter, including contracts for the establishment and administration of employment and training offices and the delegation of the department's administrative, monitoring, and program responsibilities and duties set forth in this article.

(7) Perform other services and activities that are specified in contracts for payments or reimbursement of the costs made with the Secretary of Labor, any federal, state, or local public agency or administrative entity, or a private for-profit or nonprofit organization under the Workforce Investment Act (29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.), including reauthorizations of the Act.

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(8) Enter into contracts or agreements and cooperate with entities that provide career and technical education to carry out the duties imposed by this chapter.

(c) The payment of unemployment insurance benefits must be made in accordance with 26 U.S.C. 3304.

(d) The department of workforce development may do all acts and things necessary or proper to carry out the powers expressly granted under this article, including the adoption of rules under IC 4-22-2.

(e) The department of workforce development may not charge any claimant for benefits for providing services under this article, except as provided in IC 22-4-17-12.

(f) The department of workforce development shall distribute federal funds made available for employment training in accordance with:

(1) 29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq., including reauthorizations of the Act, and other applicable federal laws; and

(2) the plan prepared by the department under subsection (g)(1).

(g) In addition to the duties prescribed in subsections (a) through (f), the department of workforce development shall do the following:

(1) Perform the duties set forth in IC 22-4.1-13 for career and technical education, including the development and implementation of a long range state plan for a comprehensive career and technical education program under IC 22-4.1-13-9.

~~(+)~~ **(2)** Implement to the best of its ability its employment training programs and the comprehensive career and technical education program in Indiana developed under the long range plan under IC 22-4.1-13.

~~(2)~~ **(3)** Upon request of the budget director, prepare a legislative budget request for state and federal funds for employment training. The budget director shall determine the period to be covered by the budget request.

~~(3)~~ **(4)** Evaluate its programs according to criteria established by ~~the Indiana commission for career and technical education within~~ the department of workforce development under IC 22-4.1-13.

~~(4)~~ **(5)** Make or cause to be made studies of the needs for various types of programs that are related to employment training and authorized under the Workforce Investment Act, including reauthorizations of the Act.

~~(5)~~ **(6)** Distribute state funds made available for employment training that have been appropriated by the general assembly in accordance with:

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(A) the general assembly appropriation; and

(B) the plan prepared by the department under subdivision (1).

~~(6)~~ (7) Establish, implement, and maintain a training program in the nature and dynamics of domestic and family violence for training of all employees of the department who interact with a claimant for benefits to determine whether the claim of the individual for unemployment benefits is valid and to determine that employment separations stemming from domestic or family violence are reliably screened, identified, and adjudicated and that victims of domestic or family violence are able to take advantage of the full range of job services provided by the department. The training presenters shall include domestic violence experts with expertise in the delivery of direct services to victims of domestic violence, including using the staff of shelters for battered women in the presentation of the training. The initial training shall consist of instruction of not less than six (6) hours. Refresher training shall be required annually and shall consist of instruction of not less than three (3) hours.

SECTION 8. IC 22-4.1-2-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.3-2008, SECTION 161, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 2. The department is comprised of the following entities reorganized within the department:

(1) The department of employment and training services, including the following:

(A) The unemployment insurance board.

(B) The unemployment insurance review board.

(2) The office of workforce literacy established by IC 22-4.1-10-1.

~~(3) The Indiana commission for career and technical education established by IC 22-4.1-13-6.~~

SECTION 9. IC 22-4.1-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.3-2008, SECTION 162, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 1. The department may undertake duties identified by the commissioner as related to workforce development initiatives that were required of or authorized to be undertaken before July 1, 1994, by:

(1) the department of employment and training services; ~~or~~

(2) the office of workforce literacy established by IC 22-4.1-10-1.

~~or~~

~~(3) the Indiana commission for career and technical education established by IC 22-4.1-13-6.~~

SECTION 10. IC 22-4.1-13-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 151, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS

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[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 9. (a) The ~~commission~~ **department** shall develop and implement a long range state plan for a comprehensive career and technical education program in Indiana.

(b) The plan developed under this section shall be kept current. The plan and any revisions made to the plan shall be made available to:

- (1) the governor;
- (2) the general assembly;
- (3) the Indiana state board of education;
- (4) the department of education;
- (5) the commission for higher education;
- (6) the council;
- (7) the Indiana commission on proprietary education; and
- (8) any other appropriate state or federal agency.

A plan or revised plan submitted under this section to the general assembly must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

(c) The plan must set forth specific goals for public career and technical education at all levels and must include the following:

- (1) The preparation of each graduate for both employment and further education.
- (2) Accessibility of career and technical education to individuals of all ages who desire to explore and learn for economic and personal growth.
- (3) Projected employment opportunities in various career and technical education fields.
- (4) A study of the supply of and the demand for a labor force skilled in particular career and technical education areas.
- (5) A study of technological and economic change affecting Indiana.
- (6) An analysis of the private career and education sector in Indiana.
- (7) Recommendations for improvement in the state career and technical education program.
- (8) The educational levels expected of career and technical education programs proposed to meet the projected employment needs.

SECTION 11. IC 22-4.1-13-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 152, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 10. The ~~commission~~ **department** shall do the following:

- (1) Make recommendations to the general assembly concerning the development, duplication, and accessibility of employment training and career and technical education on a regional and

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1 statewide basis.

2 (2) Consult with any state agency, commission, or organization
3 that supervises or administers programs of career and technical
4 education concerning the coordination of career and technical
5 education, including the following:

6 (A) The Indiana economic development corporation.

7 (B) The council.

8 (C) A private industry council (as defined in 29 U.S.C. 1501
9 et seq.).

10 (D) The department of labor.

11 (E) The Indiana commission on proprietary education.

12 (F) The commission for higher education.

13 (G) The Indiana state board of education.

14 (3) Review and make recommendations concerning plans
15 submitted by the Indiana state board of education and the
16 commission for higher education. The ~~commission~~ **department**
17 may request the resubmission of plans or parts of plans that:

18 (A) are not consistent with the long range state plan of the
19 ~~commission;~~ **department developed under section 9 of this**
20 **chapter;**

21 (B) are incompatible with other plans within the system; or

22 (C) do not avoid duplication of existing services.

23 (4) Report to the general assembly on the ~~commission's~~
24 **department's** conclusions and recommendations concerning
25 interagency cooperation, coordination, and articulation of career
26 and technical education and employment training. A report under
27 this subdivision must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.
28 (5) Study and develop a plan concerning the transition between
29 secondary level career and technical education and postsecondary
30 level career and technical education.

31 (6) Enter into agreements with the federal government that may
32 be required as a condition of receiving federal funds under the
33 Vocational Education Act (20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.). An agreement
34 entered into under this subdivision is subject to the approval of
35 the budget agency.

36 SECTION 12. IC 22-4.1-13-11, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007,
37 SECTION 153, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
38 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 11. The ~~commission~~ **department**
39 may do the following:

40 (1) Make recommendations, including recommendations for
41 policies to encourage involvement of minority groups in the
42 career and technical education system in Indiana, to:

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- (A) the governor;
- (B) the general assembly; and
- (C) the various agencies, commissions, or organizations that administer career and technical education programs concerning all facets of career and technical education programming.

(2) Establish a regional planning and coordination system for career and technical education and employment training that will, either in whole or in part, serve career and technical education and employment training in Indiana.

(3) Appoint advisory committees whenever necessary.

(4) Contract for services necessary to carry out this chapter.

(5) Provide information and advice on career and technical education to a business, an industry, or a labor organization operating a job training program in the private sector.

SECTION 13. IC 22-4.1-13-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 154, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 12. The ~~commission~~ **department** shall adopt statewide systems or policies concerning the following as the systems or policies relate to the implementation of career and technical education programs:

(1) Student records.

(2) Data processing at the secondary level.

(3) An evaluation system that must be conducted by the ~~commission~~ **department** at least annually and that evaluates the following as each relates to the career and technical education programs and courses offered at the secondary level and postsecondary level:

(A) Graduation rates.

(B) Student placement rates.

(C) Retention rates.

(D) Enrollment.

(E) Student transfer rates to postsecondary educational institutions.

(F) When applicable, student performance on state licensing examinations or other external certification examinations.

(G) Cost data study.

(4) A system of financial audits to be conducted at least biennially at the secondary level.

SECTION 14. IC 22-4.1-13-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 155, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 13. (a) The ~~commission~~

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department shall establish career and technical education evaluation criteria.

(b) Using the criteria established under subsection (a), the **commission department** shall evaluate the effectiveness of career and technical education relative to the goals of the long range plan developed under section 9 of this chapter.

SECTION 15. IC 22-4.1-13-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 156, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 14. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), the **commission department** shall receive, distribute, and maintain accountability for all federal funds available for career and technical education under 20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), the **commission department** shall distribute and maintain accountability for all federal funds available for career and technical education under 29 U.S.C. 1533.

(c) The **commission department** may not expend or distribute federal funds available under 20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq. or 29 U.S.C. 1533 if those funds have not been allocated by the general assembly.

SECTION 16. IC 22-4.1-13-17, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 43, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 17. The **commission department** shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to carry out the duties imposed by this chapter.

SECTION 17. THE FOLLOWING ARE REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: IC 20-20-20-1; IC 22-4.1-13-1; IC 22-4.1-13-6; IC 22-4.1-13-7; IC 22-4.1-13-8; IC 22-4.1-13-16; IC 22-4.1-13-18.

SECTION 18. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009] (a) As used in this SECTION, "commission" refers to the commission for career and technical education established by IC 22-4.1-13-6 (before its repeal by this act).

(b) As used in the SECTION, "department" refers to the department of workforce development established by IC 22-4-18-1 (before its amendment by this act).

(c) As of July 1, 2009, the commission is abolished, and the commission's property and duties are transferred to the department under IC 22-4-18-1, IC 22-4.1-13-9, IC 22-4.1-13-10, IC 22-4.1-13-11, IC 22-4.1-13-12, IC 22-4.1-13-13, and IC 22-4.1-13-14, all as amended by this act.

(d) The rules adopted by the commission before July 1, 2009, concerning career and technical education are considered after June 30, 2009, rules of the department.

(e) This SECTION expires July 1, 2010.

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